

The National Security Group, Inc. presents flags

The pictures to the right represent a recent flag presentation from The National Security Group, Inc. to Elba High School and Elba Elementary School. Each school was presented both a national flag and a state flag. Representing The National Security Group, Inc. for the presentation was Eddie Vaughan, marketing. The top picture shows Vaughan presenting the national flag to Elba High School principal Mike Williams, and the bottom picture shows him presenting the state flag to Elba Elementary School principal Mickey McCollough. The schools will fly both flags throughout the school year.

GIVE HONOR TO WHOM HONORS DO



We the family of the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit at Abundant Life would like to take this time to make known to all men and women that August 17th was declared by the mayor of the City of Elba to be Bishop Mar Hirron Ignatius Williams Day in the City of Elba.

On this day four years ago he was the first African American to be consecrated as a Bishop in full vestment in the State of Alabama....So in tribute to Bishop Hirron Williams:

In Tribute.....Bishop Hirron Williams

And who do men say that you are? Some call you "The bishop." Others relate to you as "The Prophet." And many have even titled you "A Radical Preacher." But who do we say that you are? You are the Bishop and Father of this house; the one the God has chosen to carry the genetic imprint and characteristics of A Nero Breed. One who has nobly imprinted within our spirits and minds Kingdom principles, that will forever change the course of our destinies. Your teachings have liberated the captives. Rescued the perishing. Praised an oasis for those in desert place. And renewed soldiery, and singleness of vision among us as a people. Our spirits continually revere your precepts and examples that have been so nobly demonstrated within our midst. You've taught us to soar, to excel. To elevate our minds...think the unthinkable...Dream the impossible...To redefine our borders and challenge every obstacle! The sacrifices of your family, Pastor Linda and your children, are greatly appreciated. They have counted the cost. And yet persist in unselfishly sharing you with the rest of the world. To the Williams family - We Thank You!! And to those who are of The Constitution of The New Abundant Life Deliverance Ministries, the Commander in Chief, and the Captain of New Abundant Life Ministries, Inc. has announced that we are now moving at warp speed! We are pioneering new frontiers. And navigating a previously uncharted course! With precision we must execute his objectives. There is no room for lethargy, slumber or sleep. In rank, file and order, we must assume our places. Embrace the vision, and seize the moment.

From:

The Cathedral of the Holy Spirit at New Abundant Life Family
WE INVITE you to come and share in the Bishop's 4th annual celebration, Friday and Saturday night, August 17-18 at 7:30 and ending Sunday morning with a special Minister's Consecration.

FRIDAY NIGHT SPEAKER - Pastor Tom Redhard, Rivers of Life Ministries, Thomasville, Georgia
SATURDAY NIGHT SPEAKER - Minister Joel Wade, Detroit, Michigan. He will be consecrated Sunday morning,
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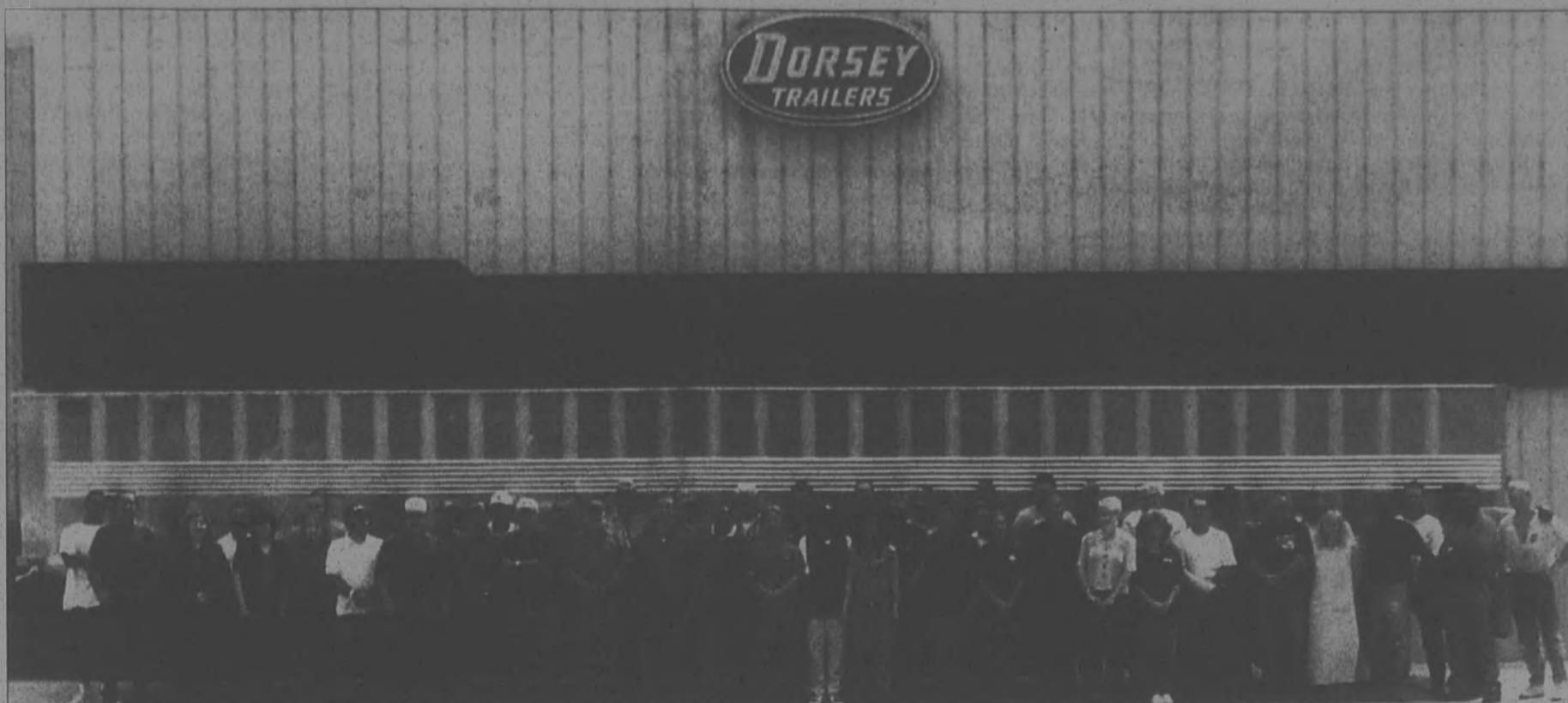
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DORSEY
TRAILERS



AEC plans power work in Elba for Sunday

Alabama Electric Cooperative announces that it will attempt to make necessary repairs to the Caroline Street substation in Elba on Sunday, Aug. 26, from 2-5 p.m.

The work will be done during this time with weather permitting and will affect customers outside the levee area of the city. Citizens in this area should prepare to be without power while the work is underway. Officials also indicate that some areas within the levee could be affected by this work and also be without power.

AEC and City of Elba officials said the work is part of an ongoing process to better serve the needs of the people of Elba.

Anyone with questions concerning this planned work event should contact Elba City Hall at 897-2333.

FIRST TRAILER SHIPPED... The first trailer shipped from Dorsey Trailers since the company reopened was the "Fruit Hauler" which left Monday for the 2001 Florida Citrus Expo in Ft. Myers, Fla. Sales force members accompanying the trailer to the annual expo are Laura Roan, Director of Sales; Elkin Williamson, Inside Sales; and Rhonda Lyn, Public Relations consultant. This event is sponsored by the University of Florida and is a major event for the Florida fruit industry, showing off modern technology for the fruit growing and harvesting professionals with a slogan of "Progress through Technology."

Dorsey management said this week that a number of these units have already been sold to some of the larger fruit growers and additional orders for this type unit are anticipated. The sales force is also working with a number of other potential customers, including at least two major foreign firms. Pictured with this first product is the start-up workforce at the Elba trailer plant.

EPD and ABC board seize marijuana plants

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Elba Police Department (EPD) and Alabama Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Board gathered the evidence Monday afternoon, Aug. 20, in an ongoing marijuana investigation.

Elba Police Chief R.W. Whitworth said the marijuana investigation began after his department received information that the plant was being grown in the Elba area.

He said the culmination of the investigation came Monday afternoon as officers from the EPD and ABC Board gathered approximately 50 marijuana plants which they had discovered.

ABC Board officer Jackie Farmer said the marijuana plants are estimated to be worth about \$2,000 per plant. Therefore, he said the plants confiscated Monday afternoon have an approximate value of \$100,000.

Whitworth said some of the plants seized Monday were estimated to be as tall as 12 feet.

No arrests have been made at this time in connection with the marijuana seizure; however, Whitworth said a joint



Eiba Police Officer Robert Fulton and ABC board officer Jackie Farmer with the marijuana plants seized Monday.

Area Happenings

COMMISSION MEETING The Coffee County Commission will hold its regular bimonthly meeting Monday, Aug. 27, at 9 a.m. in the Community Room of the County Complex in New Brockton.

CITY BOE BUDGET HEARINGS The Elba City Board of Education will hold a public hearing on Monday, Aug. 27, at 12 noon and at the regular board meeting Tuesday, Aug. 28, at 5:30 p.m. The purpose of the public hearings will be to present the system-wide budget and for public input on the system technology plan and Internet Safety Policy for the Fiscal Year 2002. The meeting will be held at the Elba City Board of Education office at 131 Tiger Drive in Elba, Ala. Budget forms will be available at the board office prior to the meetings.

COUNTY BOE INTERNET SAFETY MEETING The Coffee County Board of Education invites the community to a meeting on Monday, Aug. 27, from 6:30 p.m. at the Coffee County BOE office, 400 Reddoch Hill Road, Elba, to discuss the Internet Safety Policy for the school system.

COUNTY BOE BUDGET HEARINGS The Coffee County Board of Education will hold the first public hearing for the purpose of presenting the system-wide budget for FY2002 on Monday, Aug. 27, at 6:30 p.m. The second public hearing will be at 11 a.m. on Aug. 30. Both public hearings will be held at the Coffee County Board of Education office at 400 Reddoch Hill Road, Elba. Parents, teachers and interested citizens may attend these budget hearings. Budget forms will be available at the superintendent's office prior to the hearing. On Aug. 30, the Board will hold a special meeting at 12:15 p.m. to approve the FY2002 Budget.



New manager named at Elba MarketPlace

The Elba MarketPlace announced Tuesday, Aug. 21, the hiring of Dennis Wooten as manager of the Elba grocery store.

"I am looking forward to serving the people of Elba," said Wooten. "I already know a lot of people here and am looking forward to meeting them."

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Coffee County BOE hires additional personnel

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Superintendent Dr. Linda Ingram has approved the employment of Vicki Jones as a gifted teacher at Zion Chapel Elementary School and the hiring of Kristy Hudson as a music teacher at Zion Chapel Elementary School.

Other certified personnel changes voted upon and approved by the board included the hiring of Pam Vickers as a part-time Spanish teacher at Zion

Chapel High School, the hiring of Angela Jangrigg as a kindergarten teacher at Zion Chapel Elementary School and the hiring of Kristy Hudson as a music teacher at Zion Chapel Elementary School.

The employment of Jangrigg and Hudson was effective

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Elba Tigers and ZC Rebels prepare for meeting

by Linda Hodge, Editor

that money will be split between the two programs at the end of the evening.

Another important part of Friday's game is the return to Miller Memorial Stadium ("Foggy Bottom") for Elba fans.

"Foggy Bottom" was home to the Elba Tigers until the end of the 1992 football season. At that time, the sports program moved to Tiger Stadium located across the street from Miller Memorial Stadium.

As a football season nears each year, the coaches, players, cheerleaders, band students, fans and anyone else interested in the sport are filled with anticipation and excitement as they await the season opener. It has many times been said that the excitement of the fans is the best way to see what the team has to offer and where it needs to improve.

Friday night, the Elba Tigers and Zion Chapel Rebels will get an upper hand on the situation when the two teams meet for the first time ever in a pre-season matchup at Miller Memorial Stadium.

Elba Football Coach Mike Waters said his team will use the game as an opportunity to see where extra work needs to be done and give every player a chance to play and show his talents.

Zion Chapel Football Coach Randy Grant looks at the game in the same manner, and he said he feels the pre-season contest will give his young team a chance to gain some experience before beginning the regular season the following week.

However, when it is all said and done, the final outcome will have no effect on either of the team's regular season, but that does not mean the game is not extremely important to the people of each community.

First and foremost, the game will be a fund raising event for the athletic programs at each school. Therefore, any student involved with any athletic event at Elba and Zion Chapel will benefit from the attendance of Friday night's game.

The admission fee for the game will be \$5 per person and please see the "Sports Section, Page 8."



PREPARING FOR GAME DAY... The Elba Tigers and Zion Chapel Rebels prepare to meet for the first time ever in a pre-season football jamboree Friday night, Aug. 24, at 7 p.m. The game will be played at the legendary Miller Memorial Stadium ("Foggy Bottom") in Elba, Alabama, the excitement level is extremely high among the players, coaches, students and fans of the two programs. Above, players and coaches from the two school districts will be promoted to promote the game. Those pictured include: (Kneeling, l to r) Zion Rebels #70 for the Zion Chapel Rebels and Michael Reed; #45 for the Elba Tigers; (standing, l to r) Zion Chapel Rebels Head Football Coach Randy Grant, Josh Camley, #72 for the Zion Chapel Rebels, Gavin Mauldin, #75 for the Elba Tigers; and Elba Tigers Head Football Coach Mike Waters. For a closer look at Friday night's contest, please see the "Sports Section, Page 8."

EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS
With Ferrin Cox

There have been some questions lately about the next step on the levee rehab project. Last week Elba Mayor James Grimes wrote a letter to the state finance director asking, "Where is the money?" Grimes and the city attorney are ready to file a writ of mandamus against the Corp. of Engineers to include an agreement that all the property will be paid for by the city before the project is built. Myself, this writing the bond issue, including the Elba levee funds, that was pushed by Governor Siegelman and authorized by the Alabama Legislature have not yet been sold. Elba folks have not been given any indication exactly when that will happen and thus are getting a bit nervous about the whole waiting game.

Tuesday's noon news on CNN was full of bulletins. Of course the expected announcement from the Federal Reserve on interest rate cuts was there. Live reports on the reaction of Wall Street to the interest rate cut was aired several times. Also there was a live report, and personal interview, on the man in Kentucky who successfully received the artificial heart a couple of months ago. There was another one too, but we got so much news from so many places in this day of instant communications, our little ol' brain has just learned to tune out more than it can retain without strain.

Sunday we heard a sermon that should make people think, regardless of their religion or lack thereof. The verbal picture was of a man standing in a cemetery, looking down at a grave marker. The dates were 1908 - 1984 or something similar. Of course the first date is the year the person was born. The last number is the year of his or her death. In between there is the dash, which represents all the person did during the years from birth to death. Each of us is in full control of what makes up that very long dash. What we are remembered for happens during that time. Ironically, we received a family e-mail Monday with astonishing comments about one of our great-grandmothers. The part of her dash the books of family "roots" report includes the fact that she had her first child at age 17, the 13th one at age 40 and lived to be 72 years old! That probably wasn't even tubs for conversation in those days, but today 13 children don't make her the talk of the town. What appears astonishing to us for her is the fact she gave birth to 13 children and still lived to be 72 years old, and all that was without modern life-saving medical knowledge available. I am not mentioning her maiden name, as there are a bunch of Coffee County folks with the same last name. Most of them have worked hard to give the name respectability and this is just not the time to destroy their work by announcing that yours truly possibly shares a bloodline with them!



KELLI SMITH HAS 5 YEARS OF SERVICE with South Trust Bank. Ms. Smith is the Loan Processor at the Elba Office. Shown here is the CEO, Ted Roberts and Ms. Smith.

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Elba Police Report

House passes Patients' Bill of Rights

By Congressman Terry Everett

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, August 13, 2001, investigated the following incidents: two for assault, four for theft of property, one D.U.L., one disturbance, one criminal mischief, one interference with custody and two for disorderly conduct.

The following arrests were made: one for assault, one for D.U.L. and one for failure to appear.

Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows:

15 - Alarm activated at Elba Marketplace (2:24 a.m.); Alarm activated at Elba General Hospital (6:43 a.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to Elba General Hospital after fire alarm (6:44 a.m.); Coffee - one for an expired tag, four for no insurance, one for suspended driver's license, ten for violation of the seat belt law, two for running a stop sign, one for reckless driving, one for a revoked driver's license, two for no driver's license and one for traveling the wrong way on a one-way road.

Daily activity highlights for

MONDAY, AUGUST 13 - River stage - 6.44 feet (6:41 a.m.); Alarm activated at 1192 Pine Circle (9:04 p.m.); Possible prowler reported at 1216 Jones Circle (10:39 p.m.); Disturbance reported at 1216 Jones Circle (11:39 p.m.).

TUESDAY, AUGUST 14 - Mature drivers, it's our policy to save you money.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 17 - River stage - 6.12 feet (6:20 a.m.); Alarm activated at 810 N. Claxton Avenue (12:03 a.m.); River stage - 6.11 feet (6:49 a.m.); Alarm activated at 810 N. Claxton Avenue (10:28 a.m.); Civil disturbance - fighting reported in progress at 1028 Hickman Avenue (4:05 p.m.); Civil disturbance - fighting reported in progress at 837 East Davis Lori (1:50 p.m.); Loud and excessive noise reported in Mulberry (10:32 p.m.).

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protects patients and their families from paying the costs of unnecessary and expensive litigation that will increase their health care premiums and jeopardize their health insurance coverage.

The bottom line is doctors and patients get to make important medical decisions, not attorneys and HMO executives.

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The Patients' Bill of Rights breaks new ground in patient care and protection and is an important step forward in health care reform. It can be improved further, but it is a good start.

Persons discharged during the same time period were: Louise Hallworth, Hazel Parker, Francis Jackson, Ella Calloway, Timothy Winters, Silas Mauldin, Albert Armstrong, Bettie Burks, Mary Jackson, Evelyn Holloman, Charles Ewell, Zadie Johnson, Mary Robinson, Kristy Miles, Willie James McLean, Deal Taylor, Orie Barlow, Ruthie Belcher, Sherry Moyer and Kent Johnson.

The Elba Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual banquet on the evening of September 27. The Elba High School commons area is the site of the banquet, and it is scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m.

This year's banquet will again feature an awards ceremony for those businesses and individuals that have gone the extra mile to make Elba shine.

The businesses of the year, chamber of the year and volunteer of the year are a few of the awards that will be given at the ceremony.

The chamber will also be presenting a video that features three businesses that demonstrate the work ethic that the chamber tries to encourage and support. Door prizes will be given away, but the individual

must be present to win. Dress for the event is casual.

ATTEND A CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE THIS SUNDAY

SHARE YOUR VIEWS WRITE A LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Susie King, Director SpectraCare Prevention Services

SARAH FRANCES CLARK MANWARING

Mrs. Sarah Frances Clark Manwaring, age 78, of Thomasville, Ga., died Aug. 21, 2001 at her residence.

Mrs. Manwaring was born in Kimball, Ala. on Aug. 29, 1922.

Graveside services and burial will be Friday, Aug. 24, 2001, at 1 p.m. at Peaceful Acres in Opp, Ala., with Rev. Daniel Smoak officiating. Allen and

Palmer were serving.

Survivors include one son

Vernon Medders Jr., his daughter

Dianne and Stephen Judino,

Lakefield, Fla., four brothers

Osborn, Jarris, and Edward

Eliland, Elba, Tom Eliland, four

sisters Louise Miller, Brewton

Lucille Thornton, Hope Hill,

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PASTOR'S CORNER

Rev. Ron Stallard
Elba Church of God

Grace over mercy.....

Many believe that the power of healing left when the apostles died. Many say God doesn't heal anymore. I will never tell you that he can't do things anymore. A man asked "If God heals them why don't we go to the hospital and heal everyone?" First, God made his pitfalls possible. I know the devil didn't. Second I don't claim to understand the whys and the why nots of God's healing. Just know God is able to do it. James 5 and 14 says "Is any among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him; anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: 15, and the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he has committed sin, they shall be forgiven him. I have seen this work in 1990 there was a terrible auto accident. A young man laying in the hospital in a coma. The doctors were making arrangements THEY FELT THERE WAS NO HOPE. A MOTHER BELIEVING IN GOD prayed. I was allowed to be in the ICU room while his mother was there. She told him in a loud voice that his mother had raised him right and he knew how to ask Jesus to save him. There was no response. I went home to pray for the Lord and as his Savior Again and again I told him I saw a tear in his eye. I got excited and told him again to except the Lord Jesus as his Savior. He moved his hand. By this time I was in his room saving except Jesus, and he moved his leg. His mother was praying with faith and with all she had. He came out of the coma. He recovered. He got married and worked in the church. I saw it with my own eyes.

A very elderly lady was in the nursing home and had a cancer on her head. We prayed and anointed her with oil. It fell off during the night. I was called to her bedside and she was quoting scripture. A little girl with a bad heart, had 2 heart attacks by the time she was 11 years old. We went to her house and prayed for her. The next day the hospital ran test on her and could not find anything wrong with her heart. Many witnessed this healing. A young woman had a blood clot in her leg. She was sent by ambulance to a Dothan hospital with her x-rays of the clot in her hand. We prayed for her and anointed her with oil just before she left. When she got to Dothan they x-rayed her again to see if it had moved and there was no clot found. Her entire family witnessed this healing. A lady came to church who had been to the hospital for tests. Spots were found on her brain. Her sister had cancer of the brain along with another relative. The Elders prayed for her and she was taken to the hospital to have surgery. She had a tumor removed from her brain. She had been healed. I cannot say as many that I have seen healed there has been just as many who didn't. Why? I can't say for sure. I do know that a prayer of a righteous man prevail much. I will pray for answers. I also know that many have grace come first and than the healing. Forgiveness than mercy. That is the usual order of most healings.

Many years I saw no healing and no miracles! I didn't believe in them. Than the biggest healing of my life happened. My soul got healed of sin by the blood of Jesus. Then the miracles came!

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Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

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Elsie Phillips-Copes, Pastor
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Rev. William Frank, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
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Rev. Robert Paul, Pastor
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Even Services 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Study 6:00 p.m.

ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. John L. Baxter, Pastor
Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.
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ELBA FIRST TABERNACLE
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Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
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Rev. W. L. Peterson, Pastor
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Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
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SCHOOLS

EES Faculty Spotlight

by Katie Grimes

This week's EES Faculty Spotlight features Mrs. Michelle Grimes, a fourth grade teacher at Elba Elementary School.

A native of Jacksonville, Fla., Mrs. Grimes moved to Montgomery where she graduated from Jeff Davis High School. During her high school years, she worked as a volunteer at a home for abused and profoundly retarded children. Her experiences there instilled in her a desire to teach students to be lifelong seekers of knowledge.

After high school, Mrs. Grimes attended the University of South Alabama where she concentrated her studies in special education. She then attended AUM and Troy State before graduating from Troy State at Dothan with a degree in elementary education.

Mrs. Grimes began teaching in 1994 as a Title One Aide at Elba. Since then, she has taught fourth grade for almost six



Michelle Grimes

years, totaling her teaching experience to eight years. When asked what she would choose to do if she could no longer teach, Mrs. Grimes responded, "I would like to continue working with children."

Mrs. Grimes has lived in Elba for 25 years with her husband, Roy Grimes. They have three children, Dawn, Doug and Katherine Grimes. During her rare free time, Mrs. Grimes enjoys reading, crocheting, and sewing.

Co-Op Spotlight

by Charly Barlow



This week's Co-Op spotlight focuses on Hunter Branch. Hunter is 17-years-old and a senior at Elba High School. He is employed at Kleinten's where he loads and unloads trucks. At Elba High School Hunter has been in journalism for two years and is involved in Alpha Gamma Delta. Hunter's parents are Will and Janeette Cartt.

SPORTS

Views from...

THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Things have been pretty quiet around the Mularz house on most mornings since school started, primarily because even though Melanie was already back in school, Melissa was still on vacation and was still sound asleep while everyone else was getting ready to head out. That will all come to an end this week, however, because Melanie will have to get up early to head off to college and that will no doubt cause a few traffic jams around the bathrooms and in the halls. Here's hoping for the best, but if you hear some strange noises early in the morning in the days ahead, it won't be the storm siren, just two sisters working out their problems.

"THRILLER AT MILLER" GRABBING THE SPORTS HEADLINES FOR COUNTY GRID FANS

It has been billed as the "Thriller at Miller" by one area t-shirt designer; but no matter what you call it, Friday night's preseason football game between the Elba Tigers and the Zion Chapel Rebels will be one that fans from both schools talk about for many months to come. The game will be a positive for both schools since both teams didn't have a spring game, and it will give the players and coaches the chance to take a short break from the rigors of pre-season drill and allow the players to hit someone besides their teammates, and allow the coaches to evaluate their players in a game before the actual start of the season. It will also be a positive since the two schools will split the game from the game, and hopefully some much-needed revenue from the athletic programs of the two schools that are struggling with the effects of protracted. The fact the game is being played at Miller Memorial Stadium has created quite a stir among Elba Tiger fans, and many fans have been heard saying that they will go to the game just because it is back at the "old stadium" where Elba Tiger football was started, and enjoyed many banner years. I don't care why anyone plans to attend, I just want the fans from both teams and all former Elba fans to make the trip down to Miller Friday night and pack the place. Downtown Elba has been quiet long enough; let's rock the place Friday night and show the players from both teams that they have your support!

BOTH COACHES APPROACHING GAME WITH FEW CHANGES IN PLAN - PLAY WELL AND WIN

I have talked with both Mike Waters and Randy Grant about this weeks pre-season game, and while both coaches make it clear that their teams are going to try to win the game, they don't hesitate to add that we'll be there for them a lot of good as the regular season draws near. Elba was beset by injuries and a lack of numbers back in the spring and was forced to cancel the annual "Black and Gold" game. Zion Chapel saw its game go from exciting to disappointing just as quick as players left the team and it too wasn't able to play a spring game. All coaches like the chance to see their teams in action before the season kicks off, and the game Friday night will certainly serve that purpose. Elba will dress out like they did for the last two seasons, and the coaches of new head coach Mike Waters, and the Tigers and their coaches will get the chance to see just how much all the hard work during the off-season has paid off. Zion Chapel will dress only nineteen players, but veteran coach Randy Grant is also anxious to see just where his team stands, and playing a 3A team will give the coaches a good idea of just where they are one week before the beginning of the season. I think the game will be great for both programs and I hope it will be the beginning of a tradition between the two cross-county teams. The schools compete in basketball and softball already, and it is a natural rivalry for both schools.

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Friday night at Miller Memorial Stadium

Elba Tigers and Zion Chapel Rebels to meet for first time ever in preseasn football jamboree



Coach Grant sees game as chance to evaluate all players

The Elba Tigers will move from the practice field to the turf of Miller Memorial Stadium on Friday night, Aug. 24, when the Elba Tigers and Zion Chapel Rebels will be one that fans from both schools talk about for many months to come. The game will be a positive for both schools since both teams didn't have a spring game, and it will give the players and coaches the chance to evaluate their players in a game before the actual start of the season. It will also be a positive since the two schools will split the game from the game, and hopefully some much-needed revenue from the athletic programs of the two schools that are struggling with the effects of protracted. The fact the game is being played at Miller Memorial Stadium has created quite a stir among Elba Tiger fans, and many fans have been heard saying that they will go to the game just because it is back at the "old stadium" where Elba Tiger football was started, and enjoyed many banner years. I don't care why anyone plans to attend, I just want the fans from both teams and all former Elba fans to make the trip down to Miller Friday night and pack the place. Downtown Elba has been quiet long enough; let's rock the place Friday night and show the players from both teams that they have your support!

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Monday, Aug. 20, and the employment of Vickers will be effective Monday, Aug. 27.

The only other personnel matter considered by the board was the acceptance of the resignation of Jeff Donaldson as a transportation clerk at the bus shop. His resignation was effective as of Thursday, Aug. 2.

When asked about student enrollment thus far, Ingram said the county as a whole is down 24 students this year.

Ingram told members that a revised copy of the Parent/Student Information Guide had been distributed to the schools. She said there were only a couple of minor changes made to the guide this year.

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The only other change to the guide mentioned by Ingram to board members concerned the dress code.

According to Ingram, a section was added to the dress code that will allow girls to wear the "new" thick flip flops. She said the principals and teachers had previously objected to students wearing the thin flip flops (often times referred to as shower shoes); however, they saw no problem with the new style which includes a thick sole.

No action from the board was required concerning the Parent/Student Information Guide during last Friday's meeting, but Ingram said the members will need to review the guide and approve it to policy the next board meeting.

With an update on the Kinison Band Program, Ingram told board members that the school system was successful in finding

someone to oversee the program this year.

She said Patrick Bruce will assist the band students at Kinston this year. Bruce is a graduate of the music program at Auburn University and currently working on his Master's at Troy State University. Ingram said his family is from Coffee County, and his wife is also involved with music.

"The very next morning after we talked to him [Bruce] he was at Kinston and introduced to the students," Ingram said. "I think we've found a good person, and he seems excited."

In other business, the board:

Received a reminder from Ingram for the upcoming budget hearings for fiscal year 2002.

The hearings will be held Monday, Aug. 27, at 6:30 p.m.

and Thursday, Aug. 30, at 11 a.m. A special meeting will be held Thursday, Aug. 30, at 12:15 p.m.

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Athletic club supports Tigers



DISPLAY OF SUPPORT... The Elba Athletic Club wants to show its support for the athletic program at Elba High School as a new era begins. Therefore, the athletic club will be selling yard signs, such as the one above, at the Elba-ZC pre-season football game Friday night, Aug. 24, at Miller-McCain Stadium in Elba. A yard sign can be purchased for \$10. Anyone interested in purchasing a yard sign before Friday night should contact Doug Martin, Elba Athletic Club president, at 897-6045 or any athletic club member. Captured above are Doug Martin, Elba Athletic Club president; Rachel Moore, Elba Athletic Club member; and Mike Williams, Elba High School principal.

ESJC announces summer semester honor students

Enterprise State Junior College (ESJC) officially announces the names of students achieving recognition through the fall semester honor rolls.

The Dean's List, also compiled at the end of every

semester, recognizes full-time students (scheduled for 12 or more hours) who maintain a minimum of a 3.50 GPA during the semester. The summer semester list recog-

nized 29 students. The list included Cortney Chappell and Sharren Thomas from New Brockton and Sheryl Brunson, Marcelia Childs, and Wanda Kelley of Elba.

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Local law enforcement make two arrests from illegal drug operation



MORE MARIJUANA PLANTS SEIZED... Elba Police Officer Robert Fulton (left) and ABCD Board officer Jackie Farmer (right) display the marijuana plants seized by law enforcement in the latest illegal drug operation.

Elba council lowers automobile sales tax

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba City Council voted Monday to lower the local sales tax collected on the sale of automobiles from 1% to 3/4%. This will mean a considerable saving to local automobile buyers.

The savings on a \$15,000 automobile will be \$75.50 and the savings on a \$20,000 vehicle will be \$100.00.

Elba Mayor James Grimes said this move will bring Elba's sales tax back in line with Opp and Enterprise and will probably actually increase the total amount of sales tax collected in Elba.

The council accepted bids on five FEMA buy-out houses in an effort to close out the final remnants of this long running project. Sold to Dickey-Johnson Housemen of Grant Ridge, FL, were three houses in Brookwood, one house at 1008 Forest Ave. was sold for \$3,000, the one at 1047 Forest Ave. was sold for \$3,000 and the one at 1020 Elm sold for \$1,000.

Donald Hussey and Sons purchased the other two houses. They bid \$1051 for houses at 936 Forest Avenue and 901 Flournoy Drive.

Grimes said he was disappointed in the bids received on some of the houses, but with the city's "in-kind" clean-up

and street paving is in addition to considerable drainage and base work already done by city crews.

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